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OF ANGOLA"

FOLLOWING MESSAGE WAS SENT BY PRESIDENT MACHEL TO AGOSTINHO NETO AND PUBLISHED IN THE LOCAL PRESS NOVEMBER 11:

TEXT: QUOTE COMRADE AGOSTINHO NETO, PRESIDENT OF MPLA, PRESIDENT OF PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF ANGOLA, LUANDA.

WITH GREAT EMOTION WE FOLLOWED THE PROCLAMATION BY MPLA OF THE TOTAL AND COMPLETE INDEPENDENCE OF ANGOLA IN ITS TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF ANGOLA. THIS IS A VICTORY OF FOURTEEN YEARS OF COMBAT AND SACRIFICE OF THE ANGOLAN PEOPLE, AND THE RESULT OF W STRUGGLE OF MANY CENTURIES BY THE ANGOLAN PEOPLE AGAINST FOREIGN DOMINATION; PARTICULARLY THIS VICTORY IS A DIRECT RESULT OF THE UNFLAGGING DETERMINATION OF FIGHTERS AND MILITANTS OF THE MPLA. YOUR VICTORY CONSTITUTES A SERIOUS BLOW TO OUR PERMANENT ENEMY, IMPERIALISM. BECAUSE OF THIS ANGOLA IS BEING ASSJULTED AND INVADED AND WE FIND AGAIN POINTED AGAINST THE ANGOLAN PEOPLE THE SAME ARMS AND INTERESTS WHICH SUPPORTED THE COLONIAL-FASCIST WAR OF AGGRESSION. WE WANT TO SAY THAT AS IN THE PAST THE MOZAMBIQUE PEOPLE AND FRELIMO WILL FIRMLY SUPPORT THE STRUGGLE OF THE ANGOLAN PEOPLE UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THEIR LEGITIMATE REPRESENTATIVE, MPLA, AND WE WILL CONTINUE TO CARRY OUT OUR INTERNATIONALIST DUTY OF SUPPORT OF YOUR JUST COMBAT FOR THE DEFENSE OF NATIONAL INDEPENDENCE AND TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY, AGAINST THE IMPERIALIST AND RACIST AGGRESSIONS AND INVASIONS. IN THE NAME OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF MOZAMBIQUE I HAVE THE HONOR TO NOTIFY YOU THAT WE RECOGNIZE "DE JURE" THE SOVEREIGN AND INDEPENDENT STATE OF ANGOLA, THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF ANGOLA, FROM THE MOMENT OF ITS PROCLAMATION, AND AT THE SAME TIME WE RECOGNIZE THE GOVERNMENT ESTABLISHED BY MPLA. WE WISH YOU SUCCESS IN YOUR PRESENT CAMPAIGN WHICH CONSTITUTES A VALUABLE CONTRIBUTION FOR OUR OWN STRUGGLE.

FRATERNAL AND REVOLUTIONARY SALUTATIONS.
HIGHEST CONSIDERATION.
THE STRUGGLE CONTINUES.

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PRESIDENT OF FRELIMO
PRESIDENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF MOZAMBIQUE UNQUOTE
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